

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Grant Program

Frequently Asked Questions

Selection

1. *How will grant recipients be selected?*

Throughout the selection and award process, the IRS will focus on implementing the VITA Grant Program as directed by Congress. Applications will be screened against the eligibility criteria, and eligible applicants will then be evaluated and ranked based on their technical merit, geographic coverage, amount of funding requested and other considerations.

Additional information concerning the selection process can be found in Publication 4671, *VITA Grant Program Overview and Application Package*.

2. *Will the grant be awarded to applicants with one or with many sites?*

Grants may be awarded to applicants that operate one or more sites.

3. *Will the grant be awarded for free federal tax return preparation activities not associated with VITA?*

No. The grant will only be awarded to organizations that will participate in the IRS VITA program.

4. *Once the grant package has been received, what is the timeframe for reviewing the package?*

Without knowing the volume of applications, the Grant Program Office is not establishing a timeframe.

5. *Are there guidelines that address the turn-around time for returning an incomplete application?*

Not at this time.